

**MEXICO, MO., MAN  
STARVED BY GERMANS.**  
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dragged himself off under a little bush. The next morning he was dead. The Germans threw his body into the sea next day without even a covering. They made way with all the dead in this way.

"They made no effort to care for the sick. Of course we had suffered greatly while in the salt water, and some of our men looked as tho they had been cut with knives all over. They took off all our clothes and gave us a pair of jeans, so that we were naked from the waist up; we didn't have hats, and were barefooted. It was very hot.

"They put all the men to work in the field but me. They found the delivery papers for the horses on me, and put me in charge of the mules in the barn.

**Young Missouri Mules.**  
"They had 300 fine young Missouri mules. They were in good shape except for a few cases of colic, and after two weeks they told me to go into the fields. I said that I would rather shoe mules than go into the fields. I showed them that I could shoe mules, so they kept me in the barn. I sometimes put in 90 shoes a day.

**Got Him at Last.**  
"Being in the mule barn I escaped some of the tortures that the other prisoners had to endure. But my day came at last. I told the guard one morning that the hay I was furnished gave colic to the mules. The guard took me out to a wall where the 'thumping rack' was. Guards tied my two thumbs and jerked me off the ground and left me hanging with my feet just off the ground. They left me there 30 minutes. My thumbs swelled, bled and came out of socket; my mouth got very dry and my head throbbed. When they cut me down I suppose I must have been in a rage because I cursed them and all Germans. It was noon the next day before I was able to walk around.

**How Jim Watson Died.**  
"Another day that sticks out in my mind was the day Jim Watson died. We had been carried to church on Sunday morning, and at the close of the service the priests in charge stood up and began to chant 'God preserve the Kaiser, God love the Kaiser,' which they made us say after them. Jim was standing next to me, and he whispered: 'To hell with the Kaiser. God love the United States.' They took Jim out of line as we came out of church and 'thumped' him. They cut him down and told him to repeat the chant. He was dazed and mad then and he yelled: 'God love Uncle Sam! To hell with the Kaiser.' They hung him up again. Jim died at 8 o'clock that night. The last I heard Jim say was: 'God love the United States and stick to it.'

"The following Sunday morning I was shot in the foot. German officers had been shooting at a Belgian as he ran, and had wounded him. He scrambled up to run again; they shot at him and hit me.

"The French and English came in for the most of the brutality. The Russians were very savage, and would smash the guards with the ends of their shackles or a hoe if they came near them.

"The island is fortified and well stocked with supplies of all sorts. The coal heaps looked like mountains and appeared as tho they would last for years.

"Toward fall I felt myself getting weaker. I had long before given up any hope of ever getting back home or coming out alive. But in the fall I was exchanged. After a number of weeks at sea we were landed in Liverpool. I landed in Key West on February 17, having been gone just about a year. My people thought I had been dead for months.

"For several months afterwards pictures of that island, faces of the prisoners and that 'thump rack' would float over my mind when I was asleep and I would get up screaming."

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**COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.**

The County Court allowed the following bills for the August term:  
H. H. Grafford, salary, \$104.16.  
J. D. Miller, salary, \$50.00.  
J. D. Miller, Bob Davis, indigent, \$10.53.  
W. E. Jacks, bridges, \$252.00.  
Lynch McDonald Construction Co., bridges, \$231.20.  
J. At Brown, inquest error, \$5.00.  
Alex Carter, two days Justice, \$10.  
J. W. Renner, four days Justice, and mileage, \$25.20.  
R. S. McKinney, salary, \$55.00.  
J. T. Marshall, supplies Court House, \$43.20.  
American Disinfectant Co., County Farm, \$23.  
Aretis Ice Co., County Farm, \$11.40.  
J. L. Barnett, bridges, \$5.00.  
Buxton & Skinner, Probate Judge, \$8.96.  
Probate Judge, \$11.87.  
Collector, \$19.85.  
Geo. D. Barnard & Co., Collector, \$18.82.  
Same, Recorder, \$32.56.  
Same, Circuit Clerk, \$12.35.  
R. B. Cauthorn, supplies, \$13.35.  
Same, salary, \$243.70.  
Mexico Power Co., Court House, \$11.16.  
Same, Court House, \$21.00.  
Same, Jail, \$13.55.  
W. L. Craddock & Son, Circuit Clerk, \$2.90.  
Coatsworth Lumber Co., Court House, \$3.09.  
Crown Laundry Co., Jail, \$2.80.  
A. Cox, County Farm, \$11.00.  
Chas. Collins, County Farm, \$11.  
Dry & Sappington, \$9.25.  
Same, Court House, 85 cents.  
E. F. Elliott, salary, \$999.96.  
J. G. Ford, feeding prisoners, \$354.60.  
Same, supplies, \$10.15.  
Same, salary, \$30.00.  
Same, stamps, \$3.00.  
Same, salary attending Circuit Court, \$132.00.  
L. McF. Gamble, Court House, 85 cents.  
Same, Jail, \$9.86.  
Glasgow Sand Co., bridges, \$19.25.  
Same, sand, \$19.25.  
Same, sand, \$19.25.  
R. B. Hooton, Justice of the Peace, blanks, \$1.00.  
W. S. Hamilton, County Farm, \$32.03.  
Hugh Stevens Printing Co., Collector, \$101.05.  
J. W. Howell, trustee, rent office County Superintendent, \$4.00.  
T. J. Hoover, Court House, \$4.50.  
Fred Isreg, County Farm, \$3.00.  
W. Clyde Johnson, supplies, \$29.96; same, salary, \$100; same, supplies, \$80.  
W. R. Johnson, Jail, \$4.90.  
Llewellyn & Sons, supplies poor, \$2.50.  
Laddonia-Farber, special, bridges, \$192.71.  
F. A. Lewton, roads, \$16.99.  
T. T. Morris, auto hire, \$36.00.  
Mexico Hardware & Furniture Co., Court House, \$1.25.  
Same, County Farm, \$6.75.  
Marblehead Lime Co., gravel, \$35.25.  
Same, gravel, \$34.43.  
McPheeters Bros., Recorder, \$114.  
Same, Court House, \$16.00.  
Same, Court House, 50 cents.  
Mo. Printing & Publishing Co., Clerk, \$4.50.  
Same, Probate Judge, \$3.75.  
Mexico Message, Superintendent of Schools, \$6.50.  
J. D. Miller, Court House, 65 cents.  
Mo. Prison Board, two boys Reform School, \$70.67.  
Same, care of Josie Griggs, \$30.00.  
C. M. Null, auto hire, \$19.00.  
W. H. Nichols, County Farm, \$11.  
R. C. Paul & Sons, County Farm, \$25.00.  
Bonnie Parrish, bridges, \$89.57.  
Penny-Jackman Printing Co., Recorder, \$2.40.  
Same, Superintendent of Schools, \$7.80.  
D. H. Robertson, service Court, \$10.00.  
G. W. Robertson, County Farm, \$3.32.  
Dr. N. R. Rodes, Jail, \$12.50.  
Same, County Farm, \$12.50.  
State Hospital No. 1, insane, \$3,138.05.  
Ricketts & Emmons, County Farm, \$16.35.  
S. W. Bell, telephone, Supt of Schools, \$5.86.  
Same, Probate Judge, \$7.00.  
Same, Recorder, \$7.00.  
Same, Circuit Clerk, \$5.00.  
Same, Treasurer, \$5.00.  
Same, County Farm, \$3.00.  
State Treasurer, John J. King, \$25.59.  
St. Louis Binding Co., County Court, \$76.45.  
Winfield Stuart, County Farm, \$11.  
St. Louis Iron Stove Co., bridges, \$493.28.  
Lela J. Tinsley, salary, \$240.00.  
H. H. Grafford, criminal costs,

\$58.25.  
Same, inquests, \$5.32.  
Same, criminal cost, \$12.75.  
Arthur Yager, indigent brother, \$10.00.  
Sarah C. Mathews, indigent sister-in-law, \$20.00.  
Farley Campbell, suf. ind., \$10.00.  
Albert Jones, Jas. Downing, \$10.00.  
Mrs. Geo. Lee, Associated Charities, \$50.00.  
W. G. Wilkins, Mrs. Maxwell, \$20.  
Smith Brothers, John Burns, indigent, \$15.00.  
J. J. Woods, Mrs. Norris, indigent, \$15.00.  
W. E. Cornett, Miss Galbreath, indigent, \$15.00.  
W. S. Waters, J. W. Crawley, indigent, \$15.00.  
L. A. Depping, Mrs. Turner, indigent, \$10.00.  
J. D. Miller, Mrs. Williams, indigent, \$15.00.  
Dr. J. F. Harrison, Mrs. Huet, indigent, \$20.00.  
Wallace Dearing, Becky Breckenridge, indigent, \$7.50.

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James Chapman had a crop of 6,000 bushels of oats this season.

Frank Cook, near Molino, threshed 6,400 bushels of oats this season.

W. A. Paulin, out near Skinner, is reported to have gotten a scare recently when he received a letter from his mother in Illinois that six threshing outfits in that locality had been blown up by dynamite. Mr. Paulin operates a threshing, and the above report will tend to put him on the watch for German agents and their work.

The Laddonia Herald says: J. T. Johnson is threshing his wheat and oats this week. He has 100 acres of wheat which is averaging 18 bushels to the acre. Mr. Johnson got his seed from Robinson Brothers, north of Mexico, and they got it from the State Agricultural Department of the University of Missouri. They experimented and found this Michigan Wonder to be the best for hard wheat flour, for a better yield and stand the winter better. To every 15 bushels of wheat there is a bushel of good timothy seed. Mr. Johnson has already sold wheat for next year to the following parties: Judge Alex Carter, 120 bushels; Earl Carter, 150 bushels, and Will Mason, 100 bushels of near Mexico; J. W. Dowell, 150 bushels, near Benton City, and 150 bushels to Lee Stuart, south of town. He still has about 1,500 bushels for sale.

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TIME TABLE  
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**East Bound.**  
No. 12 daily for Chicago 2:02 a. m.  
No. 24 daily for St. Louis 4:02 a. m.  
No. 30 ex. Sun. for Chicago 7:10 a. m.  
No. 26 daily, Jacksonville 1:46 p. m.  
No. 22 daily for St. Louis 2:52 p. m.  
No. 10 daily for Chicago 10:45 p. m.  
**West Bound.**  
No. 3 daily for Kansas City 2:50 a. m.  
No. 195 ex. Sun. for Slater 8:15 a. m.  
No. 9 daily for Kansas City 3:03 p. m.  
No. 11 daily for K. C. 8:50 a. m.  
No. 21 daily for K. C. 12:40 p. m.  
No. 25 daily for K. C. 1:46 p. m.  
No. 29 ex. Sun. from Chicago 8:00 p. m.  
**South Bound.**  
No. 210 daily from Jeff City 4:00 p. m.  
No. 214 ex. Sun. from Fulton 4:00 p. m.  
**North Bound.**  
No. 213 daily for Jeff. City 3:00 p. m.  
No. 215 ex. Sun. Jeff. City 7:00 a. m.  
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**WABASH**  
WABASH TIME TABLE.  
EFFECTIVE JUNE 24, 1917.

**East Bound.**  
No. 4, St. Louis and East. 3:32 a. m.  
No. 148 St. Louis and East. 4:28 a. m.  
No. 50 St. Louis Accom. 6:16 a. m.  
No. 20 St. Louis St. Paul Limited. 12:33 p. m.  
No. 2 Colorado-St. Louis Limited. 3:10 p. m.  
No. 12 St. Louis Express. 6:42 p. m.  
No. 72 Local Freight except Sunday 12:09 p. m.  
**West Bound.**  
No. 11 for Omaha and Des Moines. 11:55 p. m.  
No. 5 for Kansas City west 1:46 a. m.  
No. 13 Moberly Accom. 11:15 a. m.  
No. 3 St. Louis-Colorado Limited. 12:09 p. m.  
No. 9 for St. Paul, Kansas City west 4:53 p. m.  
No. 51 Moberly Accom. 8:49 p. m.  
No. 73 Local Freight except Sunday 9:20 a. m.  
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Littleby—3rd Sunday 11 a. m., 7 p. m.  
Olivet—4th Sunday 11 a. m., 7 p. m.  
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